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Dear Sir:

This applicants hereby reaffirm their April 16, 2003 election of Species A, the continuous rotate mode of gantry movement.

Claims 1-6, 8-14, 16, 17, 22, and 24 are generic.

Claims 7, 15, and 23 are specific to the elected continuous rotate species.

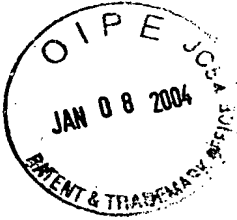
No claims are specific to the non-elected step and shoot species.

An early allowance of all claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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